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Manufacturing Week: Monday, September 29 through Friday, October 2, 2015

Benton, Carroll, Clinton, Fountain, Montgomery, Tippecanoe, Warren and White Counties

Events

Manufacturing Expo at National Guard Armory, 5220 Haggerty Lane, Lafayette:

9/29: 8th to 10th graders, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.; educators, 4 to 6 p.m.; community, 6 to 8 p.m.

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Open to students, educators and residents throughout the eight-county region

Industry Tours at various regional locations

10/1 and 10/2: 11th and 12th graders

Manufacturing Snapshot. Over 30,000 workers are employed by manufacturers operating in Benton, Carroll, Clinton, Fountain, Montgomery, Tippecanoe, Warren and White counties, part of a workforce of more than 17.4 million in the nation. In Indiana, the Indiana Department of Workforce Development reports that manufacturing added 91,300 new jobs from 2009 through June 2015. That's a 21.3 percent increase, which ranks Indiana second in the nation for new manufacturing jobs and third for percentage increase. The Indiana Business Review Labor Forecast for 2015 reports average weekly wages for manufacturing in Indiana were \$1,285 in 2014, and predicted to grow.

Manufacturing Careers. Jobs in manufacturing include engineers, designers, machinists, computer programmers, technology specialists, assemblers, schedulers, quality controllers, team leaders and more.

Manufacturing Week Origin.

First organized in 2012 as National Manufacturing Day by the Fabricators and Manufacturers Association International, National Association of Manufacturers, Manufacturers Extension Partnership and Manufacturing Institute, the day celebrates modern manufacturing, addresses any misconceptions the public may have about manufacturing and fosters interest in manufacturing careers. National Manufacturing Day is the first Friday of every October; this year, October 2. Locally, under the leadership of Greater Lafayette Commerce, the focus on manufacturing will cover four days, with events throughout the eight-county region scheduled from September 29 through October 2.

Regional Sponsors (to date)

Caterpillar Inc.
Subaru of Indiana Automotive Inc.
Wabash National
Purdue Polytechnic
voestalpine Rotec, Inc.
GE Aviation

Participating Regional Manufacturers (to date)

Expo:
Aidex
Caterpillar
Depco Enterprises, LLC
GE Aviation
Kirby Risk

Oscar Winski
DSM Coating Resins
Purdue Manufacturing Extension Partnership
DEPCO Enterprises, LLC

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Purdue Polytechnic Lafayette
Subaru of Indiana Automotive, Inc.
Southwire
voestalpine Rotec, Inc.
Wabash National

Tours:

Dayton Phoenix Group
DSM Coating Resins
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Subaru of Indiana Automotive, Inc.
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